

House Resolution No. 2921

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens or distinguished themselves through significant personal achievement; and

Whereas, the members now pause to recognize Mary Wheeler, of Bolivar, Missouri, who was named the 2007 CattleWoman of the Year at the Missouri Cattle Industry Convention in Springfield, Missouri, earlier this year; and

Whereas, Mary Wheeler has been active on her farming operation that consists of Angus cattle on eleven different farms covering 1,300 acres; and

Whereas, Mary Wheeler's was a host farm for Congressman Roy Blunt's Ag Tour of Southwest Missouri; and

Whereas, Mary Wheeler is well known and respected for her record-keeping and data analysis, used to improve the breed and supply information to consumers; and

Whereas, admired for her many contributions to the community, Mary Wheeler assists the local middle school librarian by obtaining material on beef nutrition, directs a food booth set-up for the Cattlemen's Fund Raiser for Relay for Life every year, and cooks and secures auction items for the Council of the Blind annual meeting; and

Whereas, Mary Wheeler also volunteers to cook and to serve food for the Shepherd's Place, the local Salvation Army soup kitchen, and cooks for the Polk County Soil and Water Conservation District's annual grazing school field day, and she participates in the local Share Your Christmas by collecting money and buying beef to help fill the food baskets of less fortunate families; and

Whereas, Mary Wheeler even helps pick up trash on the shore line at Stockton Lake, works elections, and worked on planning the Beef Expo for the Cattlemen's Association while promoting the Healthy Beef Cookbook:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our most sincere congratulations to Mary Wheeler on the illustrious occasion of being named 2007 Missouri CattleWoman of the Year, with our best wishes for continued success in the future; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mary Wheeler.

Offered by _____
Representative Mike Parson
District No. 133

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 2921, adopted April 8, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker